



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : CHIU *et al.*  
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Commissioner of Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 28, 2004, the time for reply having been duly extended until February 28, 2005, please amend the present application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.